

# County News and Views

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## From the Office of Fifth District Supervisor Jerry Eaves

### Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation

The Environmental Enhancement and Mitigation (EEM) Program provides funding to local, state and federal agencies for projects that will mitigate the environmental impacts of modified or new public transportation facilities. The deadline for submittal of applications for this funding cycle is November 16, 2001. A Bloomington project has been identified for submittal. The project area is Cedar Avenue, Valley north to Bloomington and Bloomington Avenue, Cedar Avenue to 0.09 miles northeast of Larch Avenue. The San Bernardino County Board of Supervisors will consider this submittal for \$150,000 at an upcoming board meeting. The submittal is the first step in the request process with approval uncertain. The Cedar and Bloomington Avenue median project is proposed as a tree planted median of 1,000 feet long and eight to twelve feet wide will enhance the planned rehabilitation of the roadway. The intent is to improve visual aesthetics, reduce high temperature surface exposure and offset vehicular emissions.

### Bloomington Hero

Firefighter Ed Nolen was burned on November 2 inside a burning Bloomington residence while attempting to rescue a trapped child. He was treated at the scene and taken to a hospital for additional treatment.

## Bloomington Initiatives Approved

A contract has been approved with the San Bernardino Valley Humane Society to provide spay and neuter services from a mobile clinic to Bloomington. Locating a mobile clinic in various communities helps to make spay/neuter services more accessible. The Humane Society of San Bernardino Valley was incorporated in 1970 and has performed over 100,000 spay/neuter surgeries since the founding of its hospital in 1980. Earlier this year, the Society was awarded a \$200,000 grant by the DJ & T Foundation to purchase and outfit a 26-foot mobile spay/neuter clinic.

The County contract requires the San Bernardino Valley Humane Society to staff the mobile clinic with a veterinarian, a certified veterinary technician and a driver. The County will receive up to 50 days of service during the contract dates of October 30, 2001 through June 30, 2002.

The mobile clinic supplements the general spay/neuter voucher program. For more information on either program please contact 882-2934.

Another action taken by the Board of Supervisors on October 30 prohibits parking on Jurupa Avenue and Spruce Avenue. Vehicles parked along the side of these roadways impede the smooth flow of traffic. Also, sight restrictions were identified for vehicles leaving driveways and the nearby intersection. This action will improve safety for motorists and pedestrians in Bloomington.

Appropriate signs will be installed on both sides of Spruce Avenue from 465 feet south of Jurupa Avenue north to a point 115 north of Jurupa Avenue and the north side of Jurupa Avenue for a distance of 620 feet west of Spruce, on the south side of Jurupa Avenue for a distance of 70 feet west of Spruce Avenue and on both sides of Jurupa Avenue for a distance of 100 feet east of Spruce Avenue.

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Bloomington Christmas Parade – sponsored by Bloomington Boosters

December 8, 2001 – 2:00 p.m.

Parade will start at the corner of Vine Street and Valley Boulevard and end at Ayala Park. Santa will be waiting at Ayala Park.

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